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DON'T SELL OUT.

Kansas Farmer Who Holds on Will Be the Winner in a Year or Two—Don't Sacrifice Young Stock.

From the St. Louis Republic.

Secretary of Agriculture Coburn, of Kansas, speaks truly when he advises farmers to hold their young stock through the drouth. As he points out, the period of dry weather has frightened many into shipping calves and hogs simply to keep from paying high prices for feed if the present conditions continue.

Prudent managers will follow Mr. Coburn's advice. There is little danger that Missouri farmers will do what he warns Kansas farmers not to do. Missourians appreciate the importance of keeping young stock on the farm. That is the principal source of steady agricultural profit in this state. Last year over one-half of the corn and fodder raised in Missouri was put on the market in the shape of livestock.

It is only within late years that the Kansas farmer has appreciated the importance of breeding his own stock. The small holder of land divided his quarter section into a cornfield and a prairie grass pasture. Then he went to the south and west, where he bought two-year-olds, paying prices that were usually highly profitable to the cattle kings of the range.

Raising cattle on that basis was nothing short of speculation. Often the bank furnished the money with which the stock was purchased taking mortgages on the cattle and feed. If the market happened to be low, the bank was compelled to take all the proceeds from the sale and the farmer had nothing to show for his year's work. Sometimes a falling market left even the bank with a balance in red ink on the deal.

Conditions have changed. With the bountiful crops of the past few years the farmers have taken counsel of experience. They have begun raising their own stock. Coincidence with the diversity and rotation of crops, the value of a small herd of livestock has become appreciated as it is in the east, where the economies in agriculture are practiced to the fullest extent.

This new and more stable condition is one that Kansas can ill afford to lose. As the secretary of agriculture correctly observes, it will take ten years to regain such a position if once the young stock is sacrificed. Kansas is out of debt. There is a fair amount of fodder on hand, even though rain does not come within a month. Missouri is in equally good shape, or better, for conditions are even more thoroughly settled now than in Kansas. Wise farmers will not only consider the present, but the future. It is the man who has held on with grim determination that will be the winner two or three years hence.

Colorado Elks Go to Milwaukee.

A special train of five sleepers and a combination coach bearing the Elks of Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo passed through Goodland Saturday night at 8:30 for Milwaukee to attend the annual convention. The Colorado Elks were accompanied by the Midland band of 35 pieces of Colorado Springs, and the band played a couple of selections during the 15-minute wait here. George Maxwell, a cornet player, formerly of this city, was with the band. It is said that the combination coach was loaded with booze and baggage—mostly booze—but everyone knows the Elks.

TOLD IN A LINE.

"The postman," says the Abilene Reflector, "may himself wear a shirt-waist, but he still delivers his mail in wrappers."

The over supply of spinsters in the New England states are certainly missing an opportunity to secure life partners in not emigrating to the west. The census of 1900 shows 176,606 more men than women in Iowa, Kansas and Indian territory alone.

A medical writer contends that a person's body is his most valuable property, and often gets the worst treatment of all belongings. "Let a man once get the idea," he says, "of classing his body along with the rest of his possessions, and it is only reasonable to suppose that he will at least take as good care of it as he does of his coat, his hat, his horse or his dog."

Gradually the government is doing away with the distribution of rations to Indians. In five years the system will be practically abolished. There are now in the United States 288,000 Indians. Of this number 45,250 draw rations regularly, while 12,600 more are provided for at various times when they are unable to work or do not feel like it. In the latter class are included most of the Indians who have grown old and are deserted by their young relatives.

The new town of Lawton, in the Comanche country, was named after Gen. Lawton, whose detachment captured the famous Indian desperado, Geronimo. This last of the Indian terrors is now a virtual prisoner at Fort Sill near the town of Lawton. Lawton is a good name, representing the finest type of robust American manhood. Its owner fought battles where the chance of death and little glory attended combats with savages, and he rose with the same valor to the requirements of war on a large scale.

FROM REV. WOODWARD.

Writes to His Many Goodland Friends From Colorado, Where He Is Spending the Summer.

Wagon Wheel Gap, Col., July 19.—To THE REPUBLIC: Perhaps you and your readers would like to know how and where I am putting in the time during the heated term. I came to the Gap July 10 in company with my oldest daughter and her family. Wagon Wheel Gap is in the Sangre de Christo range of the Rockies. The altitude is 8,700 feet. We are camped on the eastern bank of the Rio Grande river, and just across the river is an almost perpendicular mountain 2,000 feet high covered with fir trees, while back of our camp is a perpendicular cliff 1,500 feet high; making the place wild and picturesque. During the day it is comfortably warm, but at night and early morning it is uncomfortably cold. The river and mountain streams abound in mountain trout of which we get a good supply. We have three varieties of singing birds—magpies, robins and murquetaes, the latter being very large, tame and friendly, but they only stay with us about an hour as the cold makes them keep good hours.

The famous Wagon Wheel Gap springs are located about a mile from the Gap up Goose creek. The principal spring is a very large one and very hot—150 degrees. The analysis is soda, lithia, sulphur, etc. About ten feet from it is a cold spring, the analysis of which is white sulphur and ancient eggs. The large hot spring is famous for the cure of stomach and kidney complaints. The white sulphur, I think, would cure almost anything, even a guilty conscience. But the most wonderful thing to me is the one spring so hot and the other so cold and only ten feet apart, and I think that hades and an ice house must be in close proximity. There are three large swimming pools, one for ladies and two for men. They are four feet deep and so hot that you have to get in a little at a time. About 80 rods from the springs is a hot soda spring which supplies the large pools.

My health is not very good, still I hope to be able to stop off at Goodland on my return home if I can find anyone that will be glad to see me.

Yours,

G. H. WOODWARD.

Sacred Concert at Methodist Church. Owing to the absence of Rev. Good, the pastor, a sacred concert was given at the Methodist church Sunday evening. A double quartette rendered several anthems, Mrs. W. A. Bennie and Mr. Herbert Stewart each sang a solo in excellent style and voice, and Mrs. Frank Dawson and Mrs. E. F. Brown gave appropriate readings. A good audience listened to the concert, which was high class throughout.

Making Money at El Reno.

Mrs. Pauline Hartman and her brother, Richard Auer, who went to El Reno last week, write that they easily got registered in the land drawing the first day there, and now both have secured good positions while waiting for the drawing. Mrs. Hartman is receiving \$3 per day from a notary for making out registration papers and Richard is employed at a lemonade stand at good wages.

Barber Shop Changes Hands.

A deal was completed Tuesday whereby W. M. Blodgett transferred his barber shop fixtures, business and building to Walter Warriner, in exchange for the residence just north of the school house and a cash consideration. Mr. Blodgett will leave Goodland but will continue the barber business until Mr. Warriner is able to get some one to take charge of the shop.

St. Francis Beat the Goodland Boys. A nine of ball tossers from Goodland went over to St. Francis last Friday and were walloped by the Saints to the tune of 18 to 2. The Goodland team was weakened by the absence of several of their best players, their places being filled with recruits from the kid nines about town. A return game will be played on the local grounds soon, and a different result may be looked for.

Severe Drouth in Iowa.

W. J. Smith, formerly of this county, but now of Blocty, Ia., says in a letter to THE REPUBLIC: "There is a severe drouth in central southern Iowa. Pasture and water very scarce; people must commence to feed their stock at once. The present indications are that there will not be a bushel of corn raised in this county, Decatur; so western Kansas will have company this year."

Paid the Fine.

Ed Cole, who was fined \$20 and costs in Justice Cathbertson's court last Wednesday for choking Nellie Thompson, and committed to jail in default of payment, was released last Saturday. He was enabled to pay the fine and costs through the assistance of friends.

Standard Patterns.

Are the best made. For sale at Millisack's.

For trunks, valises, telescopes, a big assortment at the Wizard's.

RAIN BRINGS RELIEF.

Only Light Showers Fell, But They Made the First Break in the Drouth and Intense Heat of Two Months.

Temporary relief from the drouth and intense heat of the past two months came Monday afternoon in the form of a light shower. Tuesday was cloudy and several light showers fell throughout the afternoon. Clouds partly overcast the sky all day Wednesday, and altogether the week has been cool and comfortable. The rains were not heavy nor general enough to be of benefit to crops, but with this break in the drouth and heat, better things in the weather line may be looked for from now on.

Lightning Starts a Prairie Fire.

During a severe electrical storm the lightning set fire to the prairie near LaBlanche Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. Only a sprinkle of rain fell and the dry grass burned rapidly, but after burning over about a quarter section the fire was extinguished by the prompt action of the farmers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Wizard. Men's fancy shirts at Millisack's. Buy your coal of Wheatley at Scott's old stand.

E. J. Scott is building an addition to his residence. House for rent. Inquire of Mrs. J. N. Hazelbaker.

For Sale—Folding bed. Call at Dr. Thomas' office. Found—A hitch strap. Owner call at REPUBLIC office.

The Wizard's grocery man is a hustler. He don't sleep. See those \$2.50 and \$3 fine dress shoes at the Wizard's.

Wash dress goods in great profusion of styles at Millisack's. H. F. Wheatley keeps all kinds of coal at Scott's old stand.

For the best in men's work gloves see the line at Millisack's. Ladies' shirt waists, another big invoice just in, at Millisack's. Dunham, the photographer, will be here again August 2, 3 and 4.

Go to Millisack's for any kind or style of work and dress gloves. Lennox, Canon City and hard coal at the Scott yard. H. F. Wheatley.

School and county warrants wanted for cash or trade.—C. M. Millisack.

Ice delivered for the season. Leave orders at George Hoopes' market. The Goodland Mercantile company has bought a new delivery wagon.

The new century business at the Wizard's is away ahead of that of 1900. The warm, up to date styles in men's hats, shoes, neckwear, collars and cuffs at Millisack's.

For lands for rent, for insurance, for bargains of all kinds in real estate, see Thos. P. Leonard. Bring your price lists to Millisack's grocery department and compare goods and prices.

The Western Hay Windrower, attached to any mower, for sale by Walker Implement company. The correct styles and the best assortment of men's shirts, collars and neckwear at Millisack's.

The little boys are not forgotten here. You can get a nobby suit at easy prices at Millisack's. Our soda fountain is in running order. For ice cream, summer drinks of all kinds, call at Kent's.

Men's summer underwear—the cool kind—in good values at 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00 at Millisack's. All persons having well tools belonging to me will return same at once and save trouble.—M. Matheony.

Our lines of men's suits at \$10 to \$15 will compare with suits shown up in any market.—C. M. Millisack. Get the Wizard's prices on groceries first, and you will get them last, because you know a good thing.

Our lines of children's shoes comprises many times the assortment and quantity to be found anywhere else and lowest in price.—Millisack. Men's overalls from 50 cents up, biggest line in this part of the state, at Millisack's.

New fall dress goods and other stuff coming in daily. Come and see them at Millisack's. Ribbons! Ribbons! The biggest assortment in colors, styles and qualities at Millisack's.

The first and last place to look for and buy men's, women's and children's oxfords is at Millisack's. The Wizard's grocery department is your savings bank, the continuous small savings accruing daily.

All the parties that insured against hail with E. F. Brown and sustained a loss have received their money. Mrs. Harvey has moved her stock of lace and embroideries into the building formerly occupied by Joe Kolacny.

One more large invoice of satin and taffeta ribbons just received from New York City at bargain prices.—Millisack. Dyatt Bros., of Almena, shipped in five cars of cattle the past week and they will be run on range on the Smoky.

H. W. Lister, William Hogeboom, Frank Hollingshead and George Brinkmeyer have recently purchased new top buggies of W. N. Rowe. All families in town who wish to take roomers or boarders, for instance county high school pupils who would want a private place to stay and could not afford to pay hotel rates, please leave notice and terms at REPUBLIC office.

480-Acre Ranch for Sale.

With 100 acres of feed, plenty water and outside range. Address owner, V. W. Goodrich, Goodland, Kan.

RAILROAD SPIKES.

Fireman Will Dryden is sick. Engineer W. W. Leeman, of the 899, is on the sick list.

Brakeman Dey will soon move his family here from Slater, Mo. Engine 530, 937 and 938 are in the shops receiving light repairs.

Tom Bell, late round house foreman at Limon, was here this week. Brakeman Will Mathis is taking a vacation and went to Denver this week.

Operator Glasgow is acting as dispatcher in the absence of C. F. Smith. Brakeman Maloney, of the local on Conductor Barsby's car, has resigned.

C. F. Smith and J. W. Handley went to El Reno Monday to register for land. Conductor Bill Taylor returned Wednesday from a short vacation in Denver.

J. D. Boyle, of the freight house, is acting as agent in the absence of J. W. Handley.

Hostler Ed Blodgett has been promoted to fireman and made his first trip Monday.

Blacksmith John Shuster spent a few days with his family at Caldwell, Kan., this week.

Conductor S. R. Goode is on Conductor Matlock's car while the latter is in Oklahoma.

Operator Guy Lay, of Norton, is working in the telegraph office at this place this week.

Will Higdon, machinists' apprentice, left Saturday for a visit with his parents in Atchison.

Firemen Sherman, Albrecht and Oakford will be examined for promotion to engineers.

William Cole, formerly a fireman on the Colorado Midland, is now night hostler at this point.

Engineer Tom Kelly has returned from Iowa where he was called by the illness of a relative.

Rapid progress is being made on the new turn table. It will be completed in about two weeks.

Conductor Hubbard was on Conductor Taylor's car while the latter was off on a short vacation.

Engineer Boyle has been nicknamed "Sport Jim" since his fast run from Goodland to Phillipsburg.

A well founded rumor is to the effect that a standpipe will be erected by the company at this place.

Machinist Apprentice Jesse Hillman spent the latter part of last week in Denver. He returned Monday.

Conductor J. N. Hazelbaker, of the passenger service, spent Sunday in Goodland with Mrs. Hazelbaker.

Master Mechanic A. C. Adams was out to the Springs Tuesday and with Mrs. Adams spent the day at Manitou.

Engineer Garrett and Fireman McGuire, of the Limon-Denver run, were here this week for repairs for their engine.

Brakeman Sessions has just returned from Kansas City, where he went to make arrangements to bring his family to Goodland.

Conductor N. P. Matlock, who was down to El Reno to register in the land drawing, reports a big crowd and no accommodations.

Conductor E. J. Tippins expects to leave about the 15th of August on a hunting and fishing trip near Wagon Wheel Gap, Colo.

Tavner Barlow, of the Rock Island office at Kansas City, is the new clerk to General Foreman Adams, succeeding T. C. Sunderland.

Brakeman Frank Gunn, who has been sick in a hospital at Denver, is reported some better, but will not report for duty before August 15.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers have engaged a trained nurse from Denver to care for Engineer Pringle, who is very low.

Fireman John Lee, of the Limon-Denver run, was here this week and took the examination for an engineer. He passed the examination.

The car men have new duties added to them since the well at Phillipsburg has played out. Nearly all the coaches have their water tanks refilled at this place.

Machinist Thomas Taggart and wife were in Denver Friday and Saturday. Mr. Taggart went up to see a specialist about his injured eye. They returned Sunday.

"Capitalist" Murphy, formerly a locomotive fireman on this division, was in town this week meeting old friends. He is now with the Rock Island at Fort Worth, Tex.

T. C. Sunderland, for several years clerk in General Foreman Adams' office, left Friday night for Herington, Kan., where he has a similar position with the Rock Island.

Charley Short, machinist apprentice, is doing some very creditable lathe work. Last week he broke all previous records in turning out four eccentric strap bolts in 5 1/2 hours.

Conductor McCaslin was thrown from his family horse Monday while breaking the animal to ride and was so severely jarred and bruised that he was unable to go out on his car Monday night. Tyler went out on McCaslin's car.

No. 9 was several hours late Wednesday morning owing to the eastern connection being late. The run from Phillipsburg to Goodland, 140 miles, was made in three hours. The train was composed of seven cars and was drawn by two engines.

Sam Bragg, who was here last week to see his mother, Mrs. Robert Lenon, has gone to Los Angeles to work at the machinists' trade. He formerly was employed in the Goodland shops but recently has been with the Union Pacific at Cheyenne, Wyo.

This division of the Rock Island has sent four experienced collectors to the southwest division from Caldwell to El Reno. They are Conductors Wickersham, Feagin, Dayton and Dadds, and they will collect fares and tickets during the rush to Oklahoma.

The Rock Island depot at Lebanon burned Sunday night. Nothing was saved except the freight bills and books. A large amount of freight was consumed, and telegraphic communication cut off until repairs can be made. This is the second depot building burned at Lebanon within the last four years.

Dick Hanlin, of Pueblo, engineer on the Missouri Pacific from Pueblo to Horace, Kan., is in town, called here by the illness of his brother-in-law, D. E. Pringle. Mr. Hanlin was for many years a fireman on the Rock Island with a run out of Goodland, and was engineer of the Roswell switch engine at one time.

T. M. Baldwin, conductor on the dining car, lost a pocketbook containing about \$80 during the Epworth league rush two weeks ago. Thursday Mr. Baldwin had his property returned to him by John P. Jandess, Jr., principal of the Webster school, Kansas City, who found the pocketbook in the dressing room of a Pullman.

Phillipsburg stands a good chance to lose the division headquarters owing to the trouble of getting water at that place. It is reported in Goodland that the water service department have been instructed to make water tests at Almena, and this is taken as grounds to base the belief that the company is tired of the expenditure and trouble about the water supply at Phillipsburg.

THE WORK OF A FIEND.

A Masked Man Attempts an Assault Upon Miss Cora Parrott Near Colby Saturday Night—Bloodhounds on the Trail.

An unsuccessful attempt to either abduct or criminally assault, probably the latter, was made by a masked fiend upon Miss Cora Parrott last Saturday night at nine o'clock near Colby. Miss Parrott, who is a comely girl of 20 years and weighs fully 140 pounds, lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Parrott, about four miles north of Colby. The father and one son were late in returning from town Saturday night, and Mrs. Parrott, another son and the hired man had retired, and Miss Parrott was preparing to do so but had stepped out to the outhouse. Her mother heard her singing as she went out, but suddenly the singing ceased and after waiting some time for her daughter to return she became alarmed and aroused the son and hired man. They searched around the house and outbuildings but could find no trace of the missing girl, and the hired man continued the search while the son started toward town to give the alarm and find his father and brother, whom he met returning home after going but a short distance. They all returned to the farm and lighting a lantern, continued the search, and they soon came upon the girl in a field some distance from the house. She was hysterical and thinking her brother was the assailant started to run, saying: "I won't go. I won't go with you." They held up the lantern so she could see who it was, and recognizing her brother she fell into his arms in a faint.

She was taken to the house and soon revived and was able to give a good account of the struggle. Miss Parrott said as she started to return to the house a masked man grabbed her by the throat so she was unable to make any outcry, and said he would not harm her if she would go peacefully with him. She made all the resistance possible but the fiend dragged her toward the field. She managed to break away and knocked the man down but he caught her again and continued the choking, while she attempted to scratch the mask from his face. The plucky girl then threw her assailant to the ground but he caught her the second time and felled her with a blow. By this time he had noticed that the family was aroused, and striking a match, held it near her face saying: "You are the little devil I want but you are too much for me; you have worn me out." He also said he had been there Wednesday night to get her and would certainly try it again. With this he gave a shrill whistle, which was answered from the northwest part of the field, and started off.

News of the attack was taken to Colby and bloodhounds from Beatrice, Neb., were sent for. The dogs were put on the scent at two o'clock Monday morning and easily followed the trail north to Atwood and up to a house of a family named Davis. There are four brothers in the family but one could not be found, while the hounds indicated that they had been following the trail of one that was at home. It is said the dogs picked him out from the crowd of 300 or 400 people from both Colby and Atwood that were following the dogs. The Davis family have borne an excellent reputation and no arrests were made as a result of the tracking by the dogs, more evidence being necessary. The sheriff of Thomas county is going on the theory that the real culprit is the missing Davis, while the other only assisted in the escape. The suspect worked for the Parrott family last year and was employed on a farm a short distance away this summer.

The people of Colby are greatly worked up over the assault and should the real culprit be caught the law may not be given an opportunity to deal with the case.

Raped a Young Girl.

Julius Ozier, age 40, committed rape upon a 15-year-old girl at Menlo, Thomas county, Wednesday, July 17. He was arrested but released on a \$500 bond to appear before the district court at Colby.

The Work on the City Well.

The well at the city waterworks plant is down 100 feet. It has been solidly curved with two-inch plank for the entire distance, the curbing being four feet in diameter on the inside. After excavating below the leak, the pipe was unscrewed and 100 feet, including the damaged length, was pulled out. It was found to be completely worn through and a split nearly 20 inches in length showed where the pipe had given away, letting the water escape faster than the pump could force it up. Since this well gave out, the other pump has been run night and day, which even with the assistance of the big 25-foot windmill, was necessary to keep a supply of water in the tank. The new well will probably be in shape to start the pump by the last of next week.

Steps the Cough and Works of the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25c.

Ike Crumly, of Colby, was in town Friday.

Mrs. D. J. Bryan left Friday for a visit east.

George Chillis has returned from a visit to Denver.

W. E. Connelly, of Colby, was in the city yesterday.

Joe Cullins has returned from several weeks' stay in Denver.

F. H. Graves, of St. Francis, was a Goodland visitor Tuesday.

Frank Brumfield has gone to his home in Lehigh county, Mo.

Mrs. A. L. Dunbar has returned from several months' stay in Denver.

Theodore Howard, of Colby, formerly of this city, was here Sunday.

C. Lowery and wife, of Kansas City, were at the Commercial Tuesday.

Mrs. Sanford Adams has gone to Colorado Springs to spend a few days.

Mrs. L. F. Cooper has gone to Johnson, Neb., to see her father, who is sick.

Hoyt Andrews went to El Reno Wednesday night to register for the land drawing.

Miss Grace Barnett was at Brewster this week the guest of Miss Florence Shackelford.

Miss Pauline Shields has gone to Colorado Springs where she will remain some time.

Joe Kolacny has gone to Missouri on a business mission. He has closed up his tailor shop.

James N. Fike, of Colby, member of the board of railroad commissioners, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. A. D. Stewart returned Saturday from a visit with her sister, Mrs. M. B. Tomblin, in Eldora, Col.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith returned from Chicago Wednesday morning after an absence of six weeks.

Chauncey Dewey, of Atwood, one of the largest cattle owners of western Kansas, was in Goodland yesterday.

William Walker, Jr., L. L. Ernst and George Kelly went to Oklahoma Monday to register for the land drawing.

M. D. Cuthbertson, Joe Ellenberger and William Richardson will go to the mountains next week on a hunting trip.

Mrs. M. L. Chandler left Wednesday night for Packwood, Ia., in response to a message stating that her father was very ill.

Miss Susie Stewart, who taught in the Goodland school last year, has been engaged to teach in the Hastings, Neb., school the coming term.

Lee Arenberg, of Atchison, spent a few days with his brother, Lewis Arenberg, of this city, last week. He returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Neil Dow, of Enid, Ok., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. George Fuller, went to Oberlin Saturday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Patton.

J. M. Stickley and family, of southeastern Iowa, passed through Goodland Saturday on their way to Colorado where they will locate. They were driving through.

C. W. Hegberg, of Marysville, Kan., was here this week and purchased the machinery of the defunct steam laundry which he shipped to Marysville where he is engaged in the laundry business.

Mrs. Earl Thorson left Wednesday evening for Ottumwa, Ia., for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Robertson. She will also visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Button, at Pomona, Kan., before she returns.

A. R. Smith and family returned to their former home in Osawatomie, Kan., Wednesday. They came to this county last spring and have made their home with Elijah Butler, Mrs. Smith's father.

D. C. Honck, of the firm of Coanman & Co., was in Goodland Tuesday on business connected with the firm. Their elevators and wagon scales both here and at Buleton will be put in order for fall shipments of grain. While the crop is not large, it is expected that considerable wheat will be handled here.